

# 2002 Small Grants Program Conference

**October 17 - October 18, 2002**  
**Washington, DC**



**Food Assistance and  
Nutrition Research Program**

**Mission: Research for a Healthy, Well-Nourished America**

# Small Grants Program Conference

## Food Assistance and Nutrition Research Program

Economic Research Service, Waugh Auditorium, 3rd Floor, 1800 M Street, NW

**Thursday, October 17**

**8:30 am**

**Refreshments**

**9:00 am**

**Welcome and Introductions**

Betsey Kuhn, Director, Food and Rural Economics Division,  
ERS, USDA

**9:30 am**

**Session 1: Food Insecurity and Hunger**

Moderator: John Karl Scholz, Director, Institute for Research  
on Poverty

*Does Household Food Insecurity Affect Cognitive and Social  
Development of Kindergartners?*

Gail Harrison and  
Amé Stormer . . . . .University of California/Los Angeles

Discussant: Joanne Guthrie, ERS, USDA

*Hunger, Food Insecurity, and Child Obesity*

Marilyn Townsend and  
Hugo Melgar-Quinonez . . . . .University of California/Davis

Discussant: Mark Nord, ERS, USDA

**10:40 am**

**Break**

**10:55 am**

**Session 1, continued**

*Food Insecurity and Hunger Among Homebound Older Adults  
in the Rural South*

Mary Anne Salmon . . .University of North Carolina/Chapel Hill

Discussant: Chris Kissmer, Food and Nutrition Service, USDA

*The Impact of Home-Delivered Meals on the Nutritional Status  
and Food Security of Elderly Persons in New York State*

Edward A. Frongillo and  
Wendy S. Wolfe . . . . .Cornell University

Discussant: Margaret Andrews, ERS, USDA

**12:05 pm**

**Lunch at ERS**

**1:00 pm**

**Session 2: The Role of the Private Sector in  
Food Assistance Provision**

Moderator: Lionel J. "Bo" Beaulieu, Director, Southern Rural  
Development Center

*Private Food Assistance in the Deep South: Agency Profiles  
and Directors' Perceptions of Needs and Opportunities Under  
Charitable Choice*

Suzie T. Cashwell . . . . .Western Kentucky University

Patricia Duffy and Joe Molnar . . . . .Auburn University

John P. Bartkowski . . . . .Mississippi State University

Discussant: Doug Hess, Food Research and Action Center

*Making Ends Meet: An Examination of TANF and Former  
TANF Food Pantry Users in Virginia*

Ann Nichols-Casebolt . . . . .Virginia Commonwealth University

Discussant: Ronette Briefel, Mathematica Policy Research

*The Arkansas Child and Adult Care Food Program:  
A Study of Factors Associated with Program Participation*

Richard A. Huddleston and  
Yetunde Shobo . . . . .Arkansas Advocates  
for Children and Families

Discussant: Joshua Winicki, American Institutes for Research

**2:45 pm**

**Break**

**3:00 pm**

**Session 3: Dynamics & Life Course Patterns of Food  
Assistance Program Participation**

Moderator: Greg Duncan, Director, Joint Center for  
Poverty Research

*Estimating the Life Course Probabilities and Patterns of Food  
Stamp Use Among American Adults*

Mark R. Rank . . . . .Washington University

Thomas A. Hirschl, . . . . .Cornell University

Discussant: Dean Jolliffe, ERS, USDA

*Determinants of Spatial Variation in Food Stamp Program  
Participation Dynamics*

Stephan J. Goetz and  
Anil Rupasingha . . . . .Pennsylvania State University

Julie N. Zimmerman . . . . .University of Kentucky

Discussant: Parke Wilde, ERS, USDA

*The Dynamics of Prenatal WIC Participation*

Christopher A. Swann . . . . .State University of New York/  
Stony Brook

Discussant: John Karl Scholz, University of Wisconsin/Madison

**4:45 pm Adjourn**

**5:00 pm Reception (Sponsored by The Farm Foundation)**

# Program Agenda



## Friday, October 18

**8:15 am**

### Refreshments

**8:30 am**

### Welcome and Announcements

Laura Tiehen, Director, FANRP Small Grants Program,  
ERS, USDA

**8:45 am**

### Session 4: Nutritional Status and Diet Quality

Moderator: Lucia Kaiser, Department of Nutrition, University of  
California/Davis

*Development of a Diet Quality Index for Preschool Children and  
its Application in Examining Dietary Trends in the U.S.*

Sibylle Kranz . . . . . Pennsylvania State University

Anna Siega-Riz . . . . . University of North Carolina/Chapel Hill

Discussant: Peter Basiotis, Center for Nutrition Policy and  
Promotion, USDA

*The Allocation of Nutrition Within Poor American Families*

Thomas DeLeire . . . . . University of Chicago

Jayanta Bhattacharya . . . . . Stanford University

Discussant: Jay Variyam, ERS, USDA

*Nutrition Assessment for Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa*

Deborah Parrish, Rick Geroux,  
and Yvette Friisval . . . . . Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa  
Community College

Discussant: Craig Gundersen, ERS, USDA

**10:30 am**

### Break

**10:45 am**

### Session 5: Food Security and Food Assistance Programs in the Community Context

Moderator: Claudia E. Nelson, Program Coordinator Sr., American  
Indian Studies Programs Office of Community Development,  
University of Arizona

*The Impact of Food Assistance Programs on the Tohono  
O'odham Food System: An Analysis and Recommendations*

Daniel Lopez . . . . . Tohono O'odham Community College

and Julia Corty . . . . . Tohono O'odham Community College

Tristan Reader . . . . . Tohono O'odham Community Action

Discussant: Constance Newman, ERS, USDA

*Contextual Determinants of Food Security in  
Minority Neighborhoods in the South: A Participatory  
Ethnographic Approach*

Soyna Jones . . . . . University of Tennessee

Margaret E. Bentley and

Janice Dodds . . . . . University of North Carolina/Chapel Hill

Discussant: Barbara Cohen, Collaborative Consultants

*Community Capacity and Food Insecurity in the Era of  
Welfare Reform*

Domenico Parisi, Duane A. Gill,

Deborah A. Harris, Steven Michael Grice,

and Michael Taquino . . . . . Mississippi State University

Discussant: LaShawn Richburg-Hayes, MDRC

**12:30 pm Lunch at ERS**

**1:30 pm**

### Session 6: Welfare Reform and Food Assistance Programs

Moderator: Dave Smallwood, Deputy Director, Food Assistance  
Research, Food and Rural Economics Division, ERS, USDA

*Food Stamp Program Participation of Refugees and  
Immigrants: Measurement Error Correction for Immigrant Status*

Chris Bollinger . . . . . University of Kentucky

Paul Hagstrom . . . . . Hamilton College

Discussant: Jeff Passel, Population Studies Center,  
Urban Institute

*How Have Welfare Reforms Affected Access to Food  
Assistance Programs among Young Families and Families  
Dependent on Seasonal Employment at Northern Cheyenne?*

Judith Davis and

Rita Hiwalker . . . . . Dull Knife Memorial College

Carol Ward and

Eric Oahlin . . . . . Brigham Young University

Discussant: Laura Tiehen, ERS, USDA

*Food Stamp Receipt by Families With Noncitizen Householders  
in Rural Texas Counties*

Steve H. Murdock,

Tami Swenson, and

Steve White . . . . . Texas A & M University

Discussant: Randolph Capps, Population Studies Center,  
Urban Institute

**2:45 pm Closing Remarks**

### Adjourn



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# Food Assistance and Nutrition Research Program Small Grants Program Adminstrating Institutions



★ **American Indian Studies Program,  
University of Arizona**

**Focus:** *The relationship between food assistance programs on reservations and family poverty.*

**Director:** Jay Stauss

★ **Southern Rural Development Center,  
Mississippi State University**

**Focus:** *Food assistance research issues for rural people, families, and communities in the South.*

**Director:** Lionel J. "Bo" Beaulieu

★ **Joint Center for Poverty Research, University  
of Chicago and Northwestern University**

**Focus:** *Interactions between food assistance and other welfare programs, and the effects of the macroeconomy on the need for food assistance, level of participation, and food assistance program costs.*

**Director:** Greg Duncan

★ **Institute for Research on Poverty,  
University of Wisconsin**

**Focus:** *The effects of food assistance programs on food security, income security, and other indicators of well-being among low-income individuals and families.*

**Director:** John Karl Scholz

★ **Department of Nutrition at the University  
of California, Davis**

**Focus:** *The impact of food assistance programs on nutritional risk indicators (anthropometric, biochemical, clinical, and dietary), food purchasing practices, and food insecurity.*

**Director:** Lucia Kaiser

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